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PATENT
Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 7965.0004

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
)
B. Goddard et al.) Group Art Unit: 3627
)
Application No.: 10/037,219) Examiner: G. Collins
)
Filed: November 9, 2001)
)
For: PIPE HAVING WATER-TIGHT IN-)
LINE BELL)

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed is a reply to the Office Action of October 2, 2002. The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

- ☒ Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time to respond to the above Office Action. The fee of \$930.00 for the Extension should be charged to our deposit account no. 06-0916.

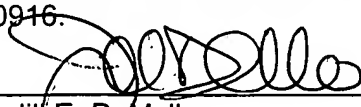
The claims are calculated below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total	28	-	29	0	x \$ 18	\$ 0
Indep.	6	-	6	0	x \$ 84	0
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Subtotal						\$ 0
Reduction by 1/2 if small entity						- 0
TOTAL						\$ 0

- ☒ A fee of \$40 to cover the cost of Assignment recordation should be charged to our deposit account no. 06-0916.
- ☒ A fee of \$180 to cover the Information Disclosure Statement filed under 1.97(c) should be charged to our deposit account no. 06-0916.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Dated: April 2, 2003

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James B. GODDARD, et al.) Group Art Unit: 3679
Application No.: 10/037,219) Examiner: G. Collins
Filed: November 9, 2001)
For: PIPE HAVING WATER-TIGHT)
IN-LINE BELL)

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Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action dated October 2, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Please replace the original Abstract with the Abstract attached hereto.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 10 without prejudice or disclaimer and amend claims 1, 6, 8, 12, and 16 as follows:

1. An indeterminate length of pipe comprised of at least two corrugated sections of pipe joined by a coupler component, said coupler component having a male portion and a female portion to connect two of the corrugated sections, each corrugated section having a plurality of first corrugations, each of said first corrugations having a

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